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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a consumer and want broadband competition, aka Net Neutrality.

I manage the household where my housemate is a businesswoman who does most of her work at home. We've used/been used by the 2 big providers: ATT&T and Comcast/Xfinity, both have consistently overcharged us, been lacking in customer service, and provided sub-par service.

We've recently switched to Sonic fiber for half the price and twice the speed because we are among the fortunate few to have recently gained access to this option. Phone service is included in their basic package. Another major reason for our switching was to be a voice in breaking up the effective monopoly/duopoly that too many Americans suffer under. Reasonable internet access is a need in modern life - Everybody should have access to multiple providers to facilitate actual competition and reasonable prices and service.

I am opposed to price hikes to what is clearly already overpriced and unsatisfactory service the Big Corporations offer, especially where people have no other options.

I spend about half the year in a rural area of Minnesota, where internet access is limited and slow. We as a country need to provide cheap and workable internet access to all parts of our country.

Please do the right thing and break up the stranglehold this large telecom giants already have. Allow real competition in all the marketplaces.

Sincerely,

William Kohlhase